IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: : Attorney Docket No: VA30429

François Malaubier et al. : Confirmation No.: 3769

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Title: An Indirect Heating System With Valorization of Ultrafine Fuel Particles

Commissioner of Patents

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 6, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 9 of this paper. An English translation of DE3841874 is enclosed herewith following the Appendix.